

# WEATHER & CROPS

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## CROP SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY, 2008

GENERAL: North Carolina received rain throughout the month of February, with monthly totals ranging from 2.37 to 6.07 inches. The recent rains have allowed the drought not to worsen but most of the state is still classified as being in an exceptional drought. Temperatures were above normal for the month with average temperatures ranging from 33 to 53 degrees. There were 4.5 days suitable for field work the last week of the month, compared to 4.7 days for the last week of January. Statewide soil moisture levels are rated at 6% very short, 18% short, 68% adequate, and 8% surplus. Activities during the month included tending to livestock, spring planting preparations and general farm maintenance.

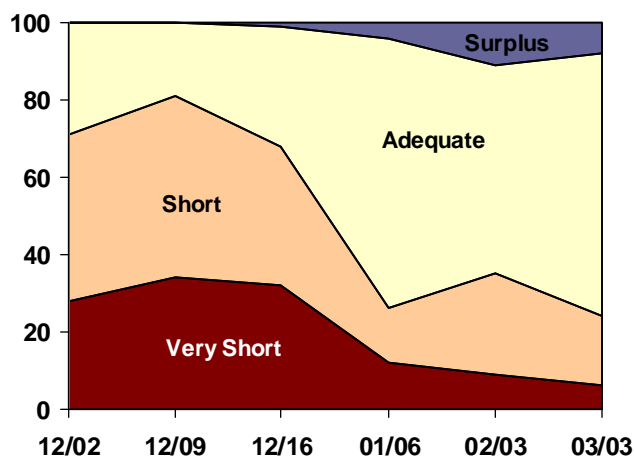
### CROP PROGRESS PERCENT - WITH COMPARISONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTED:				
Cabbage	21	N/A	23	16
Irish Potatoes	15	N/A	22	14

### TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
State	6	18	68	8
Mountain Region	3	34	52	11
Piedmont Region	12	24	61	3
Coastal Plain Region	2	5	82	11

### SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTS STATEWIDE

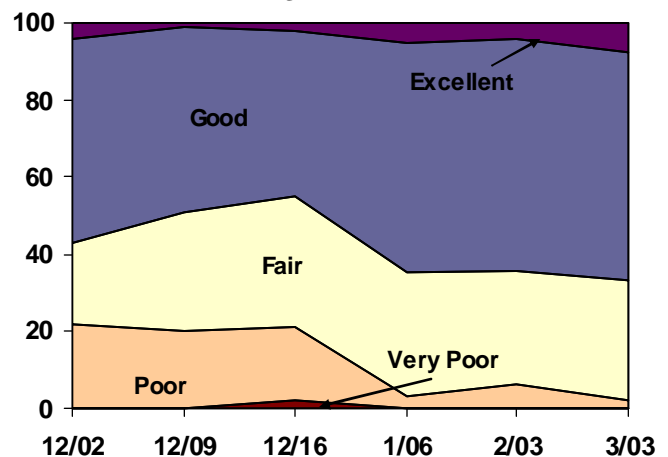


### CROP CONDITION PERCENT

	VP	P	F	G	EX
Barley	1	4	20	70	5
Oats	1	12	31	51	5
Rye	0	0	37	60	3
Wheat	0	2	31	59	8

VP = Very Poor   P = Poor   F = Fair   G = Good   EX = Excellent

### WHEAT CONDITION PERCENTS STATEWIDE



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Station Location	Precipitation (Inches) <sup>1</sup>				Temperature (Degrees F.) For This Month			
	Total This Month	Departure From Normal This Month	Total Since January 1, 2008	Departure From Normal Since January 1, 2008	High	Low	Average	Departure From Normal
Apex	3.35	-0.64	4.38	-3.78	75	23	46	5
Asheville	4.40	0.34	6.35	-1.28	73	19	44	6
Aurora	3.53	-0.03	6.57	-1.36	80	27	49	6
Beech Mountain	4.54	-0.28	6.38	-2.83	60	4	33	5
Chapel Hill	3.79	-0.22	5.06	-2.98	76	21	45	6
Charlotte	2.86	-1.13	4.60	-3.40	74	19	47	6
Clinton	5.38	1.52	7.10	-1.07	80	24	48	3
Concord	2.86	-0.97	4.27	-3.68	75	20	46	5
Eden	2.37	-1.19	2.55	-4.83	73	19	42	3
Elizabeth City	3.12	-0.67	3.63	-4.57	79	22	49	6
Fayetteville	4.39	0.48	6.01	-1.92	78	13	46	3
Goldsboro	5.19	1.19	6.69	-1.77	78	24	47	3
Greensboro	2.65	-0.80	3.60	-3.28	74	20	46	6
Greenville	5.83	1.95	7.09	-1.27	81	25	49	6
Halifax	5.70	1.82	6.84	-1.06	80	24	48	8
Hayesville	6.07	1.93	10.18	2.20	71	19	42	-2
Hickory	3.71	-0.67	4.68	-3.61	75	21	45	5
Jackson Springs	3.53	-0.46	5.89	-2.39	75	18	46	4
Jacksonville	4.68	0.43	7.77	-1.18	80	24	52	6
Jefferson	4.04	0.23	5.35	-2.05	69	12	37	3
Kinston	4.09	0.21	6.16	-2.22	82	24	48	6
Laurinburg	4.33	0.17	6.82	-1.59	78	24	49	5
Lenoir	4.63	0.54	6.04	-1.77	74	12	43	2
Lexington	3.24	-0.80	4.49	-3.58	75	15	44	2
Lincolnton	3.02	-0.93	4.24	-3.66	75	15	46	4
Louisburg	3.08	-0.97	4.18	-3.83	77	21	45	7
Marshall	3.35	-0.27	5.06	-1.74	67	17	39	3
Monroe	3.44	-0.83	4.88	-3.91	73	18	48	5
Mount Airy	3.23	-0.34	4.13	-2.97	72	17	41	2
New Bern	3.29	-1.10	5.89	-3.08	82	23	51	6
North Wilkesboro	3.01	-1.14	4.53	-3.61	75	18	42	5
Old Fort	3.81	-0.57	5.33	-3.00	73	15	41	5
Oxford	2.94	-0.86	4.31	-3.28	74	22	45	5
Raleigh-Durham	3.16	-0.67	4.42	-3.17	77	22	48	7
Roanoke Rapids	3.42	-0.46	4.67	-3.23	76	24	45	6
Rocky Mount	3.62	-0.27	3.99	-3.84	79	24	48	7
Siler City	3.09	-1.03	4.54	-3.89	76	21	45	6
Waynesville	3.69	-0.88	6.99	-1.82	68	12	42	4
Whiteville	4.32	0.41	6.52	-1.51	81	24	50	6
Williamston	5.68	1.96	7.03	-1.03	80	26	48	6
Wilmington	3.93	0.09	7.18	-0.81	79	27	53	6

<sup>1</sup> Precipitation data considered preliminary

